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Presented for filing is a continuation patent application of:

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Title: CRYOPLASTY DEVICE AND METHOD

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The prior application is assigned of record to Scimed Life Systems, Inc., a Minnesota corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on March 6, 1997 at 8431/0720.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	12
Claims	6
Abstract	1
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Drawing(s)	2

Enclosures:

- Copies of Revocation of Prior Power of Attorney and Power of Attorney to Crompton, Seager & Tufte, LLC; and Revocation and New Power of Attorney to Fish & Richardson P.C., P.A., which were filed in the parent applications. Please enter these in this application.
- Preliminary Amendment (6 pages).
- Postcard.

This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/916,147 as filed on July 25, 2001, which is a continuation of Application Serial No. 09/229,080 as filed on January 12, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,290,696, which is a divisional of Application Serial No. 08/812,804 as

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filed on March 6, 1997, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,868,735. The disclosure of the prior applications are considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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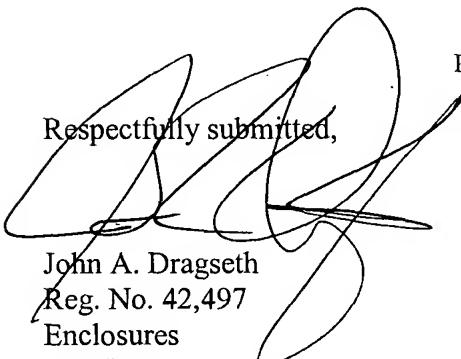
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